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From the Leiden Gazette, dated Auguſt 23.

Dantzick, Auguſt 11.

THE Swediſh Ships which we mention'd formerly to be come into our Road, conſiſt of 6 Frigats and about 50 Tranſport Ships; the Troops they brought are ſet aſhore near Lechau in the Territory of Oliva, and they are now preparing to land the Cannon and Ammunition; which will all be conducted to the Camp before Thorn; for which Service Count Steinbock demanded of our Magiſtrates 400 Waggons with 4 Horſes each, and as many of the Town of Elbing; but they excus'd themſelves from furniſhing them on ſeveral plauſible Pretences. This Refuſal has ſo irritated him, that he put Soldiers on board ſome Merchant Ships of ours, which being return'd from Forreign Parts were coming up the River, and this on no other Pretence, than 1. That our Magiſtrates would not pay the 100000 Crowns which he demanded for Contributions. 2. That they did not ſalute the Swediſh Men of War at their entrance into our Road, with ſo many Cannon as might well have been expected. And 3. That they refus'd to furniſh the 400 Waggons demanded. And not content with this, he has likewiſe put Soldiers on board the Engliſh and Dutch Merchant Ships that are in our Harbour, and will not ſuffer any Perſon to go in nor out of thoſe Ships.

From the Leiden Courant, dated Auguſt 28.

Dantzick, Auguſt 15. The Reſidents of England and Holland having repreſented to Count Steinbock, that his putting the Engliſh and Dutch Ships in our Road under Arreſt, could not be look'd upon otherwiſe than as an Infraction of the ancient Treaties between the King of Sweden, England and Holland, he diſpatch'd an Expreſs to his Swediſh Majeſty in his Camp before Thorn, to know his Pleaſure on that Affair; which Courier is return'd with Orders for ſetting at liberty thoſe Ships; accordingly the Soldiers that were put on board them and ſome Merchant Ships of ours, have quitted them. The Town of Elbing has at length agreed to pay the Swedes 40000 Florins, beſides 4 Florins for every Farm lying within the Juriſdiction of that City, and 50 Waggons to help to carry to Thorn the Ammunitions brought by the Swediſh Ships. The Troops that came in them, which lye encamp'd near Oliva, conſiſt of 6000 Men Horſe and Foot. They have not yet landed their Artillery, having been hindred by boiſterous Weather. They talk more than ever in the Swediſh Army of Dethroning the King of Poland; and notwithſtanding the Poles have an Army ſtronger by half than the Swedes, there is no Proſpect yet of an end of the Troubles of Poland.

From the Hague Gazette, dated Auguſt 27.

Warſaw, Auguſt 6. The King of Poland is with his Court at preſent at Praag on the other ſide of the Weiſſel: We flatter our ſelves here that the Garriſon of Thorn being 3000 Men, will make ſuch a Reſiſtance as will ruin the Swediſh Infantry which is made up of no more than 8000 Men. The Army of the Crown, which lyes within a few Miles of this City, conſiſts of 30000 Men Poles and Saxons; But the Diviſions that have reign'd long in that Army increaſe more and more; and will probably render it as uſeleſs to his Majeſty for the future as it has been hitherto.

From the Amſterdam Courant, dated Auguſt 28.

Warſaw, Aug. 10. The King of Sweden has return'd an Anſwer to a Letter written to him by the Cardinal Primate and the Deputies of the Republick, acquainting him, that notwithſtanding what had paſs'd in the Diet at Lublin, the Poles were diſpos'd to treat of Peace with his Swediſh Majeſty; which Anſwer is very ample, and drawn up in the Form of a Manifeſto, and plainly ſhews that the King of Sweden is not at all inclin'd to Peace. The Cardinal Primate is gone with this Anſwer to the King of Poland. The Saxon Troops are order'd towards Great Poland, where the Nobility have enter'd into a *Rokos* or Aſſociation, to abrogate the Reſolutions taken in the laſt General Diet; and in order to it have drawn together 26000 Men.

Newmark in *Poliſh Pruſſia*, Auguſt 11. On the 8th of this Month the Poliſh Lieutenant Generals Brand and Tarlo, came before Day-break to Lauterburg, where lay a Party of 400 Swedes, the Poles ſet one end of the Town on Fire, and march'd in with ſo much Expedition at the other end, that Collonel Kreuts who commanded the Swedes had no time to put his Men in order, yet he made a ſhift to repulſe the Poles twice; but ſome Auxiliaries, with which the Swedes were furniſh'd by the Sapiehaes, betaking themſelves to flight, the reſt of the Swediſh Party was oblig'd to retire, ſeveral of which leap'd into the River Wyl which is not deep, where they made a ſtand and defended themſelves bravely, but were overpower'd by the ſuperior Number of the Poles and put to the Rout. Of the Swedes 120 were kill'd, among them a Captain and a Lieutenant: As ſoon as the News of this Action came hither, Lieutenant General Nieroſt, who is quarter'd here with 3000 Swedes, march'd to Lauterburg, but the Poles were gone 2 hours before he got thither.

Dantzick, Auguſt 18. Our Magiſtrates have not yet come to an Agreement with Count Steinbock, but the Treaty with him is ſo far advanc'd, that 'tis not doubted but it will be concluded ſhortly. We have receiv'd a Confirmation of the Defeat of a Detachment of Swedes by General Brand; and 'tis ſaid he will move this way with ſome of the Troops he commands, to cut off Count Steinbock's paſſage from hence to Thorn.

From the Swediſh Army encamp'd before Thorn, Auguſt 14. We are in daily expectation of Artillery and Ammunitions from Dantzick, on the arrival of which we ſhall attack Thorn in good earneſt. The King of Poland has offer'd his Swediſh Majeſty, that he will withdraw his Saxon Troops out of Thorn, if they may be allow'd to march out with Cannon and Baggage; and that the King of Sweden may, if he pleaſe, reſide in that City, but not garriſon it: Which Propoſal is rejected.

London,

London, Auguſt 26. By a Letter from the Hague we are inform'd, That ſome time this Month, Captain Beekman Commander of a Man of War of 74 Guns, returning into Harbour from a ſhort Cruize, with moſt of his Ship's Crew Sick, the Admiralty being made acquainted with it, after ſome enquiry into the reaſon of ſo many of his Men falling Sick together, found Cauſe to remove the Captain from his Command.

To make this Story the more generally underſtood, it may not be impertinent to tranſcribe the following Paragraph from Sir William Temple's *Account of* Holland.

'The Captains and Superior Officers of each 'Squadron are choſen by the ſeveral Colleges of the 'Admiralty; and the number of Men appointed 'for every Ship: After which, each Captain uſes his 'beſt diligence and credit to fill his number with the 'beſt Men he can get, and takes the whole Care 'and Charge of Victualling his own Ship for the 'time intended for the Expedition, and ſignify'd to 'him by the Admiralty; and this at a certain Rate 'of ſo much a Man. And by the good or ill Diſ'charge of his Truſt, as well as that of providing 'Chirurgeons Medicines, and all things neceſſary 'for the Health of the Men, each Captain grows 'into good or ill Credit with the Sea-men, and by 'their Report with the Admiralties: Upon whoſe 'Opinion and Eſteem, the Fortune of all Sea-Officers 'depends: So as in all their Expeditions there ap'pears rather an Emulation among the particular 'Captains, who ſhall treat his Sea-men beſt in theſe 'Points, and employ the Moneys allotted for their 'Victualling, to the beſt Advantage, Than any little 'Knaviſh Practiſes, of filling their own Purſes by 'keeping their Mens Bellies empty, or forcing them 'to corrupted unwholſome Diet: Upon which, and 'upon Cleanlineſs in their Ships, the Health of many 'People crowded up into ſo little Rooms, ſeems 'chiefly to depend.

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